

Merchantville, NJ January 28, 2013

A Caucus meeting of Borough Council was held at 7:30 PM, Monday, January 28, 2013. Council President Steve Volkert presided. Pledge of Allegiance and Silent Prayer were observed. Announcement was made that the meeting had been advertised in accordance with the regulations prescribed by the "Open Public Meetings Act".

ROLL CALL: Council Present: Fields, Volkert, Grasso, Brennan, Sperrazza and Perno. Clerk Brouse, CFO Moules and Attorney Higgins were present.

PUBLIC:

BILL WALKER, 23 W. Cedar Avenue-Share resolution is still in works for 606 W. Maple for school. 109 Myrtle Avenue-resolution sub divide for 606 Potentially.

ENGINEER REPORT: attached report.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Scoreboard for baseball field at Community Center-9 ft on 3rd base line, 7 ft off ground 1-2 ft banner sign. Electric underground to Community Center and plugged in. Donation made to borough, limit sponsorship to 10years or life of sign. Possible resell of sponsorship.

Ascertain whether certain property within Merchantville is in need of Redevelopment-idea is to have one owner purchase property and sub divide and have parking on backend of lot for 606 W. Maple. Have Planning Board review and make a recommendation.

Sewer Rates-increase in rates from PSA, look at other towns and get analysis of something to move on at February meeting.

Shared Service agreement for Sub-Code Officials-using outside service up to this point and not as efficient as it could be! Quicker and more efficient inspections done. Remodel, new construction. Framework for putting code enforcement in place.

OEM-EMS building for storage-What are councils thought? Storage is one thing, meeting place would cost borough something, storage is okay at this time.

Budget Schedule-Financial statement, debt statement-week of 18th to be 21st Thursday discuss

Support assemble bill A-2753 requiring direct payment of energy taxes to municipal government.

Resolutions to be read by consent agenda and passed tonight-On a motion by Mr. Brennan and second by Mr. Sperrazza, the following resolutions were read and passed tonight by consent agenda:

R13-24

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE,
COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING THE MERCHANTVILLE
PLANNING BOARD TO UNDERTAKE A PRELIMINARY
INVESTIGATION TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER A CERTAIN
PROPERTY AND AREA WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF
MERCHANTVILLE IS IN NEED OF REDEVELOPMENT**

WHEREAS, in the Master Plan, adopted by Resolution on November 13, 2007, the Planning Board of the Borough of Merchantville recognized that certain areas and properties within the Borough of

Merchantville might qualify as “redevelopment area” or “area in need of redevelopment” as defined in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-3; and

WHEREAS, the said Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville desires to commence a course of action to investigate and determine whether a certain area and property within the Borough of Merchantville is in need of redevelopment, specifically Block 10, Lot 7, more commonly referred to as 109 Myrtle Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the said Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville recognizes that under New Jersey’s Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq., the Planning Board of the Borough of Merchantville must conduct a preliminary investigation to determine whether the aforementioned property and area is in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville now desire to authorize the Planning Board of the Borough of Merchantville to undertake a preliminary investigation to determine whether the aforementioned property and area within the Borough of Merchantville is in need of redevelopment; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville, that the Planning Board of the Borough of Merchantville be and hereby is directed and authorized to undertake a preliminary investigation, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6, to ascertain whether the property and area within the Borough known as Block 10, Lot 7, more commonly referred to as 109 Myrtle Avenue, qualifies as area in need of redevelopment within the Borough of Merchantville; and

BE IT FURTHER HEREBY RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville that the Planning Board of the Borough of Merchantville is authorized to employ a New Jersey licensed professional planner to assist the Board in undertaking any and all actions that may be necessary to accomplish the purpose and intent of this Resolution.

R13-25

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLAWN

WHEREAS, the Borough of Merchantville (hereinafter “Merchantville”) is a municipal entity organized under the laws of the State of New Jersey and located in Camden County; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Brooklawn is a municipal entity organized under the laws of the State of New Jersey and located in Camden County (“Brooklawn”); and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Brooklawn has in its employ a certain individuals known as William Cattell and Mark Laggy, who have been appointed by Brooklawn as the Fire Sub-Code Official and the Electrical Sub-Code Official, respectively, for the Borough of Brooklawn; and

WHEREAS, William Cattell (“Cattell”) is a licensed Fire Sub-Code Official in the State of New Jersey pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27D-119 (“Fire Sub-Code”) and the regulations promulgated thereunder (“Regulations”); and

WHEREAS, Mark Laggy (“Laggy”) is a licensed Electrical Sub-Code Official and a licensed Electrical Sub-Code Official in the State of New Jersey pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27D-119 (“Electrical Sub-Code”) and the regulations promulgated thereunder (“Regulations”); and

WHEREAS, Brooklawn has agreed to permit Cattell and Laggy to act as the Fire Sub-Code Official and the Electrical Sub-Code Official, respectively, in Merchantville in addition to the duties assigned by Brooklawn to Cattell and Laggy as employees of Brooklawn; and

WHEREAS, Merchantville has agreed to pay to the Brooklawn the sums of Two Thousand, Two Hundred, Twenty-nine Dollars (\$2,229.00) for Cattell and Three Thousand, Three Hundred, Forty-three Dollars (\$3,343.00) for Laggy, to be paid in accordance with the payment schedule set forth below; and

WHEREAS, Merchantville and Brooklawn intend, by virtue of the documents attached hereto as Exhibits “A” and “B”, to set forth the terms and conditions of these Agreements; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville to authorize the proper municipal officials to execute the attached Shared Services Agreements on behalf of the Borough of Merchantville;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that Frank M. North, Mayor of the Borough of

Merchantville and Denise Brouse, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Merchantville be and hereby are authorized to execute the Shared Services Agreements, attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and "B", to permit William Cattell and Mark Laggy to act as the Fire Sub-Code Official and the Electrical Sub-Code Official, respectively, in and for the Borough of Merchantville.

Resolutions for agenda-the following are business resolutions that will be included on the agenda for the council meeting:

- Office of Emergency Management appointment
- Support assembly bill A02753 requiring direct payment of energy taxes
- Property lien for 703 W. Maple Avenue
- Change order for senior center bathroom project
- Alternate fund commissioner
- 2013 Office Basics 2nd year option
- CDBG representatives

Ordinances for introduction-
13-02 Sewer rates

Ordinances for Public Hearing and Adoption
13-01 Financial Agreement for Citadel Wellwood Urban Renewal LLC.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

On the motion of Mr. Perno and second of Mr. Sperrazza, the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 PM.

DENISE BROUSE
BOROUGH CLERK